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SUBJ: EC EXPRESSES CONCERN OVER HUMAN RIGHTS VIOLATIONS
IN CHILE

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1. SEVERAL COPENHAGEN DAILIES REPORTED THAN ON JAN.
29 DEPUTY FOREIGN MINISTER LISE OSTERGAARD IN BEHALF
OF THE EC, CALLED IN THE CHILEAN AMBASSADOR TO COPEN-
HAGEN, MARIO RODRIGUEZ ALTAMIRANO. OSTERGAARD EXPRESSED
CONCERN OVER RECENT POLITICAL ARRESTS IN CHILE AND
PROTESTED THAT "AT LEAST 12" LEADING MEMBERS OF THE
CHRISTIAN DEMOCRAT PARTY HAD BEEN "DEPORTED" TO NORTHERN
CHILE. SHE ALSO INVOKED THE CONDEMNATION BY THE UN
LAST FALL OF VIOLATIONS OF HUMAN RIGHTS BY THE PINOCHET
GOVERNMENT.

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2. AT A WEEKEND MEETING "TO FORMULATE CALLS FOR
DANISH RESISTANCE TO THE 'CHILEAN JUNTA' ", MRS.
OSTERGAARD INFORMED THE GROUP OF HER ACTION. THE
MEETING WAS REPORTEDLY ARRANGED BY YOUTH MOVE-
MENTS OF THE SOCIAL DEMOCRAT, COMMUNIST AND
RADICAL PARTIES. FORMER CHILEAN SOCIALIST PARTY
SENATOR MARIA ELENA CARRERA WHO ALSO ATTENDED

THE MEETING EXPRESSED GRATITUDE FOR THE ASSISTANCE
TO THE CHILEAN OPPOSITION MOVEMENT THAT "THE
DANISH GOVERNMENT" HAD MADE BY ITS OFFICIAL PROTEST.
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3. MFA SOURCES TOLD US THAT MRS. OSTERGAARD'S
PROTEST WAS THE FINAL RESULT OF AN INITIATIVE
ORIGINALLY UNDERTAKEN BY EC NINE AMBASSADORS IN
SANTIAGO. AFTER DISCUSSIONS THERE AMBASSADORS
OF THE NINE RECOMMENDED THAT THE DEMARCHE BE MADE IN
THE PRESENT EC-NINE PRESIDENCY CAPITAL INSTEAD OF
SANTIAGO.

4. THE DANES PICKED UP THE SUGGESTION AND OBTAINED
CONCURRENCE FROM OTHER CAPITALS VIA THE
NINE'S TELEX NETWORK. SOURCES ADDED THAT THE
CHILEAN AMBASSADOR MADE NO RESPONSE TO THE DEMARCHE
OTHER THAN NOTING THAT IT WOULD BE CONVEYED TO
SANTIAGO. HE DID, HOWEVER, TAKE ADVANTAGE OF HIS
CALL AT THE FOREIGN MINISTRY TO PRESENT THE CHILEAN
SIDE OF THE "BEAGLE CHANNEL" CASE TO THE DANES.
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